

# **SUPPORT TO SRH RESEARCH IN THE AFRICAN REGION**

**GFMER Workshop From Research to Practice:  
Training in Sexual and Reproductive Health Research  
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# OUTLINE

- ❑ REASERCH CAPACITY STRENGHTENING GRANTS TO RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS
- ❑ RESEARCH GRANTS FROM RHR
- ❑ RESPONDING TO CALL FOR PROPOSALS
- ❑ IMPLEMENTATION RESEARCH INITIATIVE
- ❑ COUNTRIES OF STARTEGIC FOCUS



# RESEARCH CAPACITY STRENGTHENING GRANTS

- ❑ **7 LID Grants on-going:**
  - Ethiopia - Addis Ababa University
  - Malawi - University of Malawi
  - Nigeria - Center for RH, Sagamu
  - South Africa - ECRU
  - Tanzania - Kilimanjaro Christian Medical Centre, Moshi
  - Burkina Faso - Institut de Recherche en Science de la Santé
  - Cote d'Ivoire - INSP CRESARCI
- ❑ **Matured centers in Cameroon, Benin, Senegal, Zimbabwe, Kenya, Uganda and Zambia. Some become WHO Collaborating Centers**
- ❑ **DRC: Université de Kinshasa is receiving a Pre LID grant**

# Country example of institutional capacity building

## NIGERIA:

- The center for Reproductive Health in Sagamu, is recipient of a LID Grant. The center concluded a study on access to emergency contraceptive commodities at community level.
- The center has also developed a research proposal on "National data system on near miss and maternal deaths: shifting from maternal risk to public health impact in Nigeria". The proposal has been approved by both RP2 and ERC" and is cleared for implementation.

# COURSES WORKSHOPS AND SEMINARS GRANTS (CWS)

- ❑ **South Africa:**
  - ECRU: Research methods
  - RHRU: Research methods
  - University of Stellenbosch: Semenology course
  
- ❑ **Nigeria**
  - University of Ibadan: Scientific Writing  
MSC Biostatistics
  - Sagamu: Neonatal resuscitation
  - SOGON Conference 2010

- The College of Medicine University of Ibadan, recipient of a CWS grant conducted a "scientific writing workshop" attended by 39 Participants

**UNIVERSITY OF IBADAN, IBADAN**  
**SCIENTIFIC WRITING WORKSHOP**

THE DEPARTMENT OF EPIDEMIOLOGY, MEDICAL STATISTICS AND ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH,  
 FACULTY OF PUBLIC HEALTH, COLLEGE OF MEDICINE

In Collaboration  
 WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND RESEARCH,  
 WORLD HEALTH ORGANISATION (WHO), GENEVA

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## Workshop on SCIENTIFIC WRITING

**FOR WHOM:**  
 Junior Faculty Staff in Health & Allied Sciences and Postgraduate Students at the writing stage of their Thesis/Dissertation.

**GOAL:**  
 To Strengthen The Capacity of Postgraduate Students and Junior Faculty Staff in Writing Scientific Publications

**OBJECTIVES:**  
 Develop skills and competence in:

- Reporting scientific research work
- Writing scientific papers for publication in learned journals.
- Presentation, Interpretation, Discussion and Integration of research findings into the body of knowledge.

**RESOURCE PERSONS:**  
 Prof. E. Afolabi Bamgboye  
 Prof. Akinyinka Omigbodun  
 Prof. Oladimeji Oladapo  
 Prof. Olusola Ayeni  
 Prof. Francis Egbokhare  
 Prof. Labode Popoola  
 Prof. Olusegun Baiyewu  
 Dr. Olufunmilayo Fawale  
 Dr. J. A. Ajirwon  
 Dr. Ike Ajeji  
 Dr. Bidemi Yusuf

**Date:** 22nd - 25th June, 2010  
**Time:** 9.00 a.m. - 5.00 p.m.

**Venue:**  
 EMSEH LECTURE THEATRE (OLD PSM BUILDING), COLLEGE OF MEDICINE.

**FOR REGISTRATION: FURTHER INFORMATION**  
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**ONLY 40 SPACES ARE AVAILABLE AND ON THE BASIS OF FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE & APPLICANTS WHO SUBMIT THE DRAFT COPY OF THEIR CURRENT RESEARCH WORK WILL BE AT AN ADVANTAGE**

**NB: PERSONS WHO HAVE PARTICIPATED IN ANY OF THE PREVIOUSLY ORGANISED WORKSHOPS ARE ADVISED NOT TO APPLY.**

**COURSE ORGANISER**  
**PROF. E. AFOLABI BAMGBOYE**

# Research Grants from RHR

- Nigeria-Sagamu

*"National data system on near miss and maternal deaths : shifting from maternal risk to public health impact in Nigeria"* **CLEARED BY RP2 AND ERC FOR IMPLEMENTATION**

- South Africa - ECRU

*"Expanding contraceptive health options (ECHO): a randomized comparison of the copper intrauterine contraceptive device and injectable depot progestogen contraception"*. Awaiting ERC approval



# Support for responding to calls for proposals

- When call for LOI's or Proposals are issued, RHR works with collaborating institutions to respond to the calls.

**IE: In 2010 a call for LOI was issued by the implementation research platform. RHR assisted many centers to submit LOI's. Finally A center in Uganda was awarded a grant of USD 500,000 to implement a research study on *"INNOVATIONS FOR INCREASING ACCESS TO INTEGRATED SAFE DELIVERY, PMTCT AND NEWBORN CARE IN RURAL UGANDA"*.**

# IMPLEMENTATION RESEARCH PLATFORM LEVERAGING FUND INITIATIVE

- ❑ Initiative for country support to strengthen capacity and leverage funds for implementation research to achieve MDG4 and MDG5.
- ❑ The initiative for leveraged funding within the IRP brings together HRP and CAH to work with countries to facilitate the development of priority IR protocols to accelerate progress towards MDGs 4 and 5.
- ❑ Strengthening capacity in overall IR protocol development and aligning the subsequently developed proposals to potential donor support is seen as an integral part of this initiative.
- ❑ *Country selection process:* High-mortality and morbidity burden related to MDG4 and MDG5. In the first phase the main focus will be on a small number of countries mainly in Africa and a few in Asia.
- ❑ Guinea, Nigeria, Ethiopia, Zambia, DRC and Mozambique are the first cohort.

## Support to MOH priority initiatives

- ❑ Ethiopia supported in "assessing the effectiveness and safety of the use of Misoprostol for PHP prevention by community health workers".

**Proposal developed by Nationals with support of RHR and awaiting funding.**

# Countries of strategic focus

- ❑ **Benin**
- ❑ **Guinea**
- ❑ **Nigeria**
- ❑ **DRC**
- ❑ **Ethiopia**
- ❑ **Kenya**
- ❑ **Mozambique**
- ❑ **Zambia**

## In summary

- Once back home, your institution can contact us and take advantage of the opportunities for support offered by RHR

- ***THANK YOU***

